

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Masatada NUMANO, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7856
Application No.: 10/579,442 : Group Art Unit: 1793
Filed: May 15, 2006 : Examiner: Kevin P. Kerns
For: CASTING NOZZLE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2007, now due to expire March 12, 2008, be extended for one month(s) and set to expire on April 12, 2008.

Please charge the extension fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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